GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:284
ANSWERED ON:23.03.2005
TRAINING TO SSI ENTREPRENEURS
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government is providing training to the SSI entrepreneurs for international quality standards;

(b): if so, whether specialized testing lab facility is also being provided;

(c): if so, the details in this regard;

(d): whether training facility in regard to quality standards for I.S.O.-9000 is also available to the SSI entrepreneurs; and

(e): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)to(e): A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY OF PART (a) TO (e) IN RESPECT OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.284 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23.03.2005

(a): With a view to encouraging small scale industries to export their products, Government of India has been regularly organizing awareness and training programmes on manufacture of products as per quality standards of various countries and also on the needs of certification as per internationally recognized quality standards on management and environment.

(b)&(c): Government of India has established 4 Regional Testing Centres (RTCs) at New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai & Chennai and 7 Field Testing Stations (FTSs) at Jaipur, Bhopal, Kolhapur, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Pondicherry & Changancherry to assist small scale industries in carrying out testing and certification of their products as per quality standards of different countries.

(d): Yes, Sir.

(e): In order to create awareness among small scale entrepreneurs regarding ISO 9000 quality management system and to provide them information on such certification, Ministry of SSI, Government of India through Small Industries Service Institutes and Regional Testing Centres located in the States, is providing training SSI entrepreneurs. Besides, small scale units acquiring ISO-9001/ISO-14001 certification are provided reimbursement of 75% of the cost incurred (upto Rs. 75000/-). Under this scheme, 7,226 SSI units have been benefited upto 15.2.2005.